Remarks

Applicants respond to the Office Action dated April 20, 2004, for which a three month period of time for response is given. Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 22-46, 59 and 60 will be pending in the application. Claims 22-46, 59 and 60 are allowed. Claims 1-21 and 47-59 have been cancelled.

Rejection of Claims 1-21 and 58

Applicants have cancelled claims 1-21 and 58, rendering the rejection of these claims moot.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner has allowed claims 22-46, 59 and 60 drawn to adhesive blends. Applicants acknowledge with gratitude the allowance of these claims.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendment, Applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowance for claims 22-46, 59 and 60.

Respectfully submitted,

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